

BOARD OF RESPIRATORY CARE

**899 NORTH CAPITOL ST. NE – 2ND FL.
WASHINGTON, DC 20002**

February 10, 2020

9:00 am to 12:00 pm

OPEN SESSION

MEETING MINUTES

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BOARD MEETING PARTICIPANTS

BOARD MEMBERS:	
CAROLYN WILLIAMS, CHAIRPERSON	Present
BETTY AKPAN, BOARD MEMBER	Present
CARLA SEALS, BOARD MEMBER	Present
DONAE MAGETT, CONSUMER MEMBER	Present
BOARD STAFF:	
AISHA NIXON –EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	Present
KEVIN WAUGH- HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST	Present
ASHLEY BALMA-HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST	Present
EMILIA MORAN – INVESTIGATOR	Absent
GREGORY SCURLOCK, CHIEF COMPLIANCE OFFICER	Present
LEGAL STAFF:	
PANRAVEE VONGJAROENRAT - ASSISTANT GENERAL COUNSEL	Present

VISITORS:	
EDWARD A. PALMER, MBA, RRT DIRECTORY OF PULMONARY SERVICES MEDSTAR WASHINGTON HOSPITAL CENTER	

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OPEN SESSION AGENDA FEBRUARY 10, 2020

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

OS-0210-01	<p><u>APPROVAL OF THE OPEN SESSION AGENDA</u></p> <p>Board Action: Acceptance of agenda at 9:17am</p> <p>Motion: The meeting started at 9:17am and a quorum was established. Motion made by Betty Akpan to accept the February 10, 2020 agenda. Seconded by Carolyn Williams. The motion passed unanimously.</p>
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MINUTES AND STAFF REPORTS

OS-0210-02	<p><u>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aisha Nixon introduced the new Health Licensing Specialist, Kevin Waugh to the Board. In addition, she provided the current licensure census for the board. The board currently has 760 active licensees. She informed the board that February 20, 2020 will be the start to the oversight hearings for the department of health. Aisha Nixon then informed the board and staff that we have two new board members joining the board. Carla Seals, of Bridgepoint Hospital will be the board's newest member and Donae Magett, of Defense Health Agency was also introduced as our new board consumer member. 	
OS-0210-03	<p><u>BOARD ATTORNEY'S REPORT</u></p> <p>No Report</p>	
OS-0210-04	<p><u>BOARD CHAIRS'S REPORT</u></p> <p>Carolyn Williams, Board Chair provided an update on the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carolyn Williams began by welcoming all of our new Board and staff members to the Board and thanking them for their support and dedication to the Board. Informed the board that on April 24th-26th the USA Science & Engineering Festival at Walter E. Washington Convention Center. Those looking to attend, 18 and under admission is free, while 19 and above will require a fee for entry. Please come out and gain some very important information from all scientific organizations as well as leading experts related to scientific instruments industry. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anne Arundel Medical Center will be hosting their 5th Annual Spring Tune-up by the Bay. It will be hosted on April 16, 2020 beginning at 7:00am-3:30pm in the Belcher Pavilion on the 7th Floor. All those interested in joining are welcomed to sign up while space is available. Link to Continuing Education Units: See last page 	
OS-0210-05	<p><u>OPEN SESSION MINUTES</u></p> <p>Board Action: Consideration of the Open Session minutes from the December 9, 2019 meeting.</p> <p>Motion: Motion made by Betty Akpan to approved the December 9, 2019 Open Session Minutes. Seconded by Carla Seals. The motion passes unanimously.</p>	

DISCUSSION ITEMS

OS-210-06	<p>Board Action: The Board is to determine the next steps and assessments for licensees whom fail the continuing education audit.</p> <p>Background: The Board previously decided to audit 25% of all active licensees in the December 2018 Audit. However, no formal discussion of next steps or assessments to those licensees whom fail the audit.</p> <p>Discussion: Visitor Mr. Palmer raised a few questions as it relates to Respiratory Therapist in the local area and the amount in which Respiratory Therapist are currently paid in salary and how the new increase of \$100 in CEU audit failure is a great deal of money for a Respiratory Therapist to pay for an audit failure. He kindly asked that the board re-consider their decision on the new increase and that Respiratory Therapist in the local area are not paid as much as doctors and for the board to take that into consideration when debating on a fairer price for those therapist whom fail audits to pay. Mr. Palmer thanked the board for being open to his considerations of lowering the cost of the boards new \$100 imposed audit failure price.</p> <p>After careful discussion and consideration of the current assessment fees and hearing concerns from visitors within the field of respiratory care, the board determined that they would like to impose a new continuing education audit policy.</p>	
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CONTINUING EDUCATION AUDIT POLICY

16 CEUs (3 ethics; 2 LGBTQ; 2 Public Health Priorities)

Violation	Action	Public/Private
First-time failure to complete any of the above	\$100/hour + making up deficiency + subject to next audit	Private
Failure to respond within 30 days	Assessment doubled	Private/Public
Repeat failure	As above + doubled	Public

Motion:

Motion made by Betty Akpan to approve the new CEU audit guideline policy. Seconded by Carla Seals. The motion passed unanimously.

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OS-0210-07

Board Action:

To go into closed session to discuss confidential matters as permitted in DC Official Code § 2-575(b).

Background:

Upon conclusion of the open session meeting and pursuant to the DC Official Code 2-575(b) and for the purposes set forth therein, the Board will move into the closed executive session portion of the meeting to consult with the Board attorney, discuss disciplinary matters and hear reports concerning violations of the law or regulations.

Motion:

Motion made by Donae Magett to close Open Session at 10:08am. Seconded by Carla Seals. The motion passed unanimously.

This ends the Open Session Agenda, next meeting is scheduled for May 11, 2020

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CRCE Options 2020			
Name-Description	Link	Number of CEUs	Category
Domestic Violence Module	Via-Cornerstone Search for Domestic Violence v5.0	1 CRCE from AARC- Expires 6/30/20	Public Health Priority
PCNA-Health Impacts of Marijuana, E-Cigarettes and Vaping	https://pcna.net/online-course/health-effects-of-marijuana-e-cigarettes-and-vaping/	1 CEU Must Register with site to get CEU.	Public Health Priority
LGBT Education Website-Free CME	https://www.lgbthealtheducation.org/	Several Credits available relating to LGBTQ issues. Approved by American Association of Family Physicians which is considered equivalent to AMA category 1. (https://www.lgbthealtheducation.org/what-we-offer/cme-ceu/) Must register to claim credit.	LGBTQ/Cultural Competence
California Respiratory Society (CRCE Resources)	https://csrc.org/page-1861289	Contains Links to Several CEU options. Some free others with a fee.	Multiple